

EU Energy Policy and Smart Specialisation

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Climate and energy: where do we stand?

• Developments since the 2009 Energy and Climate change package

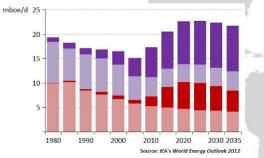
> **Impact of the financial crisis** Fall in private investment, tight financing conditions

Renewable energy saw rapid cost decreases

Technologies are gradually becoming competitive But large scale integration is a challenge

Fukushima

Shale gas US oil and gas production



Unconventional gas Unconventional oil Conventional gas Ukraine COP21 -Paris

Rising demand -> rising prices

By 2030, world economy set to double and energy demand to rise by 1/3



Some countries phase out nuclear power production



Looking to the future – Energy Roadmap 2050

• Basis: 20/20/20 objectives of the EU energy policy

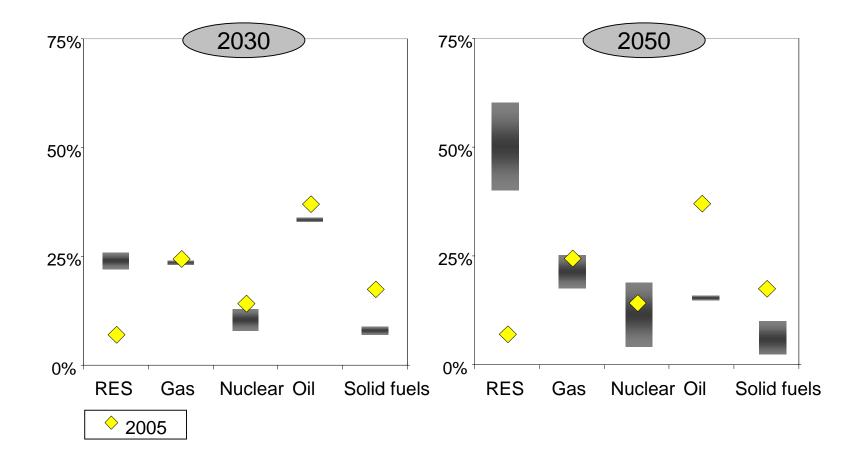
- Roadmap 2050: Cutting GHG emissions until 2050 down to 80 – 95 % below the level of 1990
- The Energy Roadmap 2050: the basis for the elaboration of a low carbon 2050 strategy

Supported by multiple scenario analyses, to show how to reach the 80 % / 95 % goal while at the same meeting other policy objectives (Competitiveness and Security of Supply)

Containing robust assumptions for all possible scenarios



• Fuel Ranges (primary energy consumption)





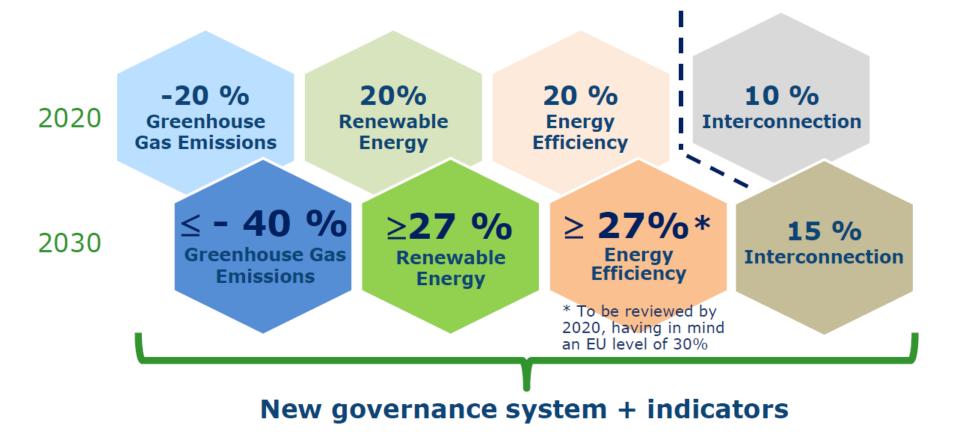
Major energy challenges in Europe

- Import Dependency
- •Energy Prices
- Decarbonisation
- Technology mix

EE and RE at the core of the solutions for 2020 -2050



2030 framework for climate and energy policies



Energy



Challenges in meeting 2020 targets Reflected in the 2030 framework

More competitive global environment

Massive investment needs in difficult economic context

Cost-effective RES and grid stability

ETS to provide investment signals

Concerns about energy prices and energy security



The Energy Union

The Energy Union aims to address the three objectives of **competitiveness**, **security of supply** and **sustainability**. •through a strong commitment by the EU institutions and the Member States to deepen integration, cooperation and coordination of both the external and internal aspects of energy policy.

The Energy Union should be based on five mutually reinforcing dimensions:

- 1. Supply security, based on solidarity and trust
- 2. A competitive and completed internal energy market
- 3. Moderation of energy demand
- 4. Decarbonisation of the EU energy mix
- 5. Research and innovation



Relevant Key Activities

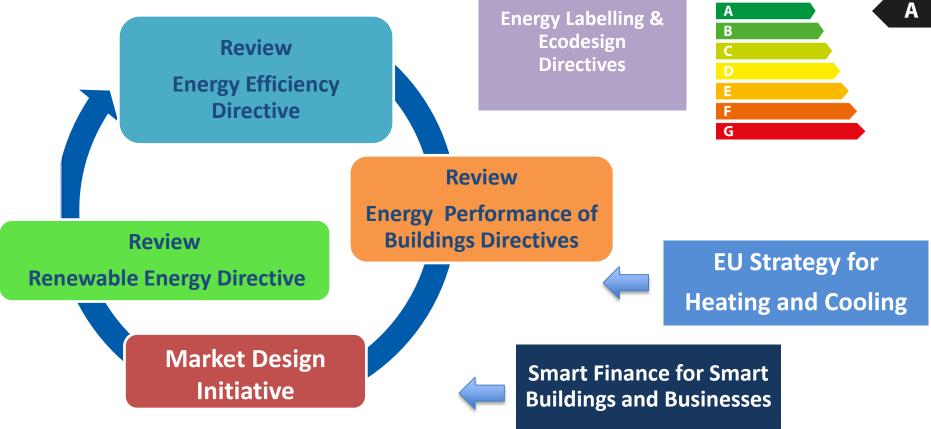
- Strenghen European regulatory framework
- Sustainable energy security package, 2016
 - LNG and Storage
 - A decision on Intergovernmental Agreements in energy
 - Security of Gas Supply Regulation
 - Heating and Cooling strategy
- A new market design, 2016
- Renewables package 2016-2017
 - Self-consumption
 - Bioenergy sustainability
 - post 2020 RES legal framework
- Alternative fuels & integration of energy and transport sectors
- Initiative on global technology and innovation leadership on energy and climate

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legislation review & revision in 2016

Rational : meet COP21 commitments and pave the way towards 2050





Electricity Market Design

The electricity market framework will be revised to better integrate renewables into the electricity system. This will include market arrangements:

•suitable for an interconnected EU-wide electricity market providing clear **price signals** for new investments and facilitating the further development of renewables;

•to promote **regional cooperation** and coordination on energy policies;

•to enable cooperation on **development of renewables**, including on support schemes;

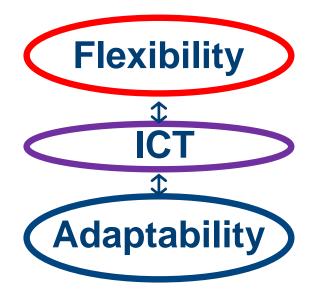
•to provide a truly European dimension to **security of electricity supply**.



A flexible and adaptive energy system

Smart Energy System

- Generation
- Demand
- Electricity, gas and heat networks
- Storage

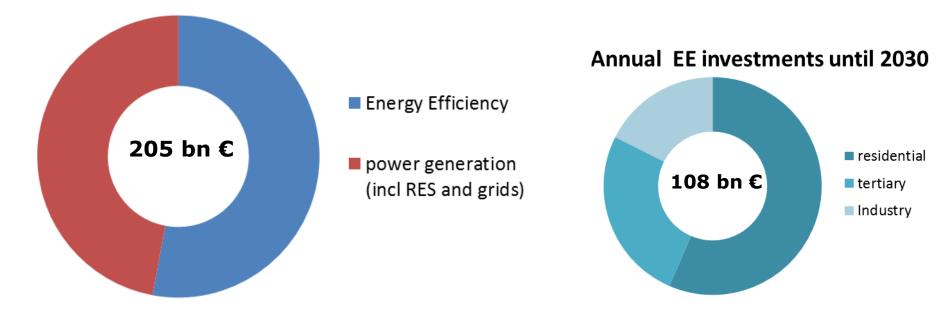


Power generation Grid Storage Demand management Transport; BEV, etc. Prosumers Markets Fuel switching Avoid lock-in Adaptation of the gas grid



Investment needs in the energy system

Annual investments until 2030



Source: SPECIAL TASK FORCE (MEMBER STATES, COMMISSION, EIB) ON INVESTMENT IN THE EU



Smart Specialisation

'Smart Specialisation' strategies develops and builds on national or regional innovation strategies

- setting priorities in order to build competitive advantage by developing and matching research and innovation strengths with business needs to address emerging opportunities and market developments in a coherent manner
- Aims at **avoiding duplication and fragmentation** of efforts, and which may take the form of or are included in a national or a regional research and innovation (R&I) strategic policy framework.

The "Smart Specialisation Platform on Energy (S3P-Energy)" is expected to deliver tangible results/projects, mobilising the stakeholder over value chains.

• An initiative set up by DG's REGIO, ENER and JRC.



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